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Approved for use through 06/30/2001, OMB 0651-0031**Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form**

Application No. 10/642,937

First Named Applicant: NouyenExaminer: Jasson YooArt Unit: 3718Status of Application: PendingDocket No: 3718611-06135**Tentative Participants:**(1) Holby M. AbernProposed Date of Interview: February 15, 2011Proposed Time: 2:00 (PM) Eastern Time**Type of Interview Requested:**(1)  Telephonic(2)  Personal(3)  Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated:  YES NO

If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

**Issues To Be Discussed**

Issues Agreed (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s (1) §103(a) Rejection [ ] Continuation Sheet Attached	Prior Art <u>Walker and Shulman</u>	Discussed [ ]	Agreed [ ]	Not [ ]

**Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:**

Applicant will generally discuss the claims of the present application and the prior art of Walker and Shulman.

Specifically, Applicant will discuss that identifying a player in association with a player tracking card and further receiving an identifier associated with a tournament game card (which is provided in response to paying a fee) is significantly different than separating the components of an invention.

Applicant will further discuss that while the player tracking card of Walker stores player identifying information and a smart card of Walker stores player credit balance information, neither the player tracking card or the smart card of Walker, separately as two cards or in combination as a single card are associated with an identifier which determines a time duration a player may play in the time remaining in a tournament.

Shulman does not cure these deficiencies of Walker.

Applicant is open to discuss clarifying claim amendments during the interview.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_.

**NOTE:**

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Holby M. Abern (Reg. No. 47,372)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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